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## Application No.

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Notice of Abandonment

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --This application is abandoned in view of: 1. Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on \_\_\_\_\_\_. (a) A reply was received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated ), which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of month(s)) which expired on \_\_\_\_\_\_. (b) A proposed reply was received on \_\_\_\_\_\_, but it does not constitute a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113(a) to the final rejection. (A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final rejection consists only of: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114). (c) \( \subseteq \) No response has been received. 2. Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85). (a) The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on \_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee (and publication fee) set in the Notice of Allowance. (b) The submitted issue fee of \$ is insufficient. A balance of \$ is due. The issue fee required by 37 CFR 1.18 is \$ . The publication fee, if required by 37 CFR 1.18(d) is \$ (c) The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, has not been received. 3. Applicant's failure to timely file new formal drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability (PTO-37). (a) Proposed new formal drawings were received on \_\_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the period for reply. (b) The proposed new formal drawings filed on \_\_\_\_\_\_ are not acceptable and the period for reply has expired. (c) No proposed new formal drawings have been received. 4. The letter of express abandonment which is signed by the attorney or agent of record, the assignee of the entire interest, or all of the applicants. 5. 🗌 The letter of express abandonment which is signed by an attorney or agent (acting in a representative capacity under 37 CFR 1.34(a)) upon the filing of a continuing application. 6. 🗌 The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences rendered on and because the period for seeking court review of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claims. 7. X The reason(s) below: A ltter was received on 7/5/2001 however it was not responsive to the office action. Bekir L. Yildirim **Primary Examiner** 

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Interview Summary

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel): (1) Bekir L. Yildirim (2) Timothy J. Keefer Date of Interview Jul 25, 2001 Type: a) X Telephonic b) Video Conference c) Personal (copy is given to 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) \(\subseteq\) Yes \(ext{e}) \(\text{\text{N}}\) No. If yes, brief description: Claim(s) discussed: None Identification of prior art discussed: Agreement with respect to the claims  $f)\square$  was reached.  $g)\boxtimes$  was not reached.  $h)\square$  N/A. Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The applicant inquired as to extension of time for response to last office action. The examiner, after reviewing the file informed the applicant that the extension of time may be granted under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a). However in this case there is no time remaining within the statory response time of six months. (A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.) i) It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked). Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST

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INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached